

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative Larry S. Zelson (Reg. No: 48,553) on February 18,2009.

2. Replace the specification at page 1, lines 8-11 with the following:

--The invention relates to a method for damping a torsional oscillation in a drive train having an electrical machine, as well as a corresponding damping device arranged for generating a damping torque in the electrical machine. --

3. Replace the specification at page 5, lines 4-6 with the following:

--These objects are solved, with regard to the method, by applying a damping torque to the drive train at a predetermined damping frequency and anti phase to the angular velocity of the torsional oscillation and, with regard to the device, by the damping device being arranged for generating a damping torque having a predetermined damping frequency and being anti phase to the angular velocity of the torsional oscillation.--

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to IRAJ A. MOHANDESI whose telephone number is (571)272-2028. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Quyen Leung can be reached on 571-272-8188. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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